

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Impacting Our Community





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You make a difference



Dear friends,

During the past 36 years, your Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank has led the hunger-relief efforts in our eight-county service area. With your unwavering commitment to our mission, we continue to move the needle toward a thriving community free of hunger.

As I look back on 2017, I'm proud of our Foodbank and its work within our region. We helped provide more meals than ever before through our distribution and SNAP outreach. We continue to work diligently at providing more food for free to our hunger-relief network, and we're dedicated to supporting these partners through advocacy efforts, educational opportunities and capacity-building resources. **Our network of nearly 500 hunger-relief programs is stronger and more collaborative than it's ever been.**

Though we've achieved much success and the economy continues to improve, there is still much work to be done until every person in our region has access to healthy and nourishing meals. Many of the families who receive food assistance from our network do not qualify for public assistance and have nowhere to turn—and we will continue to be here for them.

The Foodbank is an institution of compassion. We see people at the lowest times in their lives, when they have nothing left to give and need all the love we can offer. Thank you for helping us in this great fight to end hunger in Northeast Ohio. Our work is possible because of supporters like you.

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Flowers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Daniel R. Flowers, President & CEO

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“The community benefits greatly by the work of the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank. Its impact in our region is undoubtedly crucial to the health of our local families.”

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Meet Dawn



n's Family

Dawn is a busy mother of four, an active volunteer in her community, and a nontraditional college student pursuing her dream of becoming a counselor. She graduates next year.

Dawn's enthusiasm for life and her love of family and community is evident in all she does. But her journey to happiness hasn't been easy. She remembers helping her mother count paper food stamps in the grocery store at the age of 10. Later in life, Dawn lost her husband to renal failure, and she relied on public assistance for herself and their two children. When she remarried and had two more children, she needed to focus on her husband's recovery from substance abuse. She recalls always pinching pennies trying to climb out of debt.

Dawn and her family depended on the Greater Dover New Philadelphia Food Pantry, a network partner of the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank, during those difficult times. Little by little, they realized the pantry offered more than just food; it provided access to numerous local resources, and, most importantly, compassionate friendship.

"The pantry has seen me at my very lowest, when I had absolutely nothing and nowhere to go but up," said Dawn. "Never once did I feel unwelcome, judged or shamed. They love you for who you are and genuinely want to help."

Dawn began volunteering regularly at the pantry. She couldn't always find a babysitter for her 5-year-old son Marcus, so she brought him along. The other volunteers, who quickly became family, helped look after him. To this day, five years later, Marcus still asks if he can leave school early to go volunteer.

When Dawn's husband no longer struggled with addiction, with help from the food pantry, community resources and their local church, things really began to change for their family. "I watched my husband prosper and was in awe of the possibilities when we utilized the services available to us. He started reaching goals and seeing success."

Three years ago, at 41 years old, Dawn no longer needed to rely on food stamps or public assistance to help provide for her family. She went back to college, switching her focus from probation officer to counselor, and uses her new skillset volunteering with an addiction recovery group and at the Tuscarawas jail.

"There are days when I wake up and I want to pull the covers back over my head and go back to bed. But then I remember what I've learned, and I remember I can get through anything," she explained.

Dawn and her husband continue to build their emergency safety net and carefully plan their budget. It can still be difficult near the end of the month, once all bills are paid, to provide a nutritious meal for her two younger children, but the pantry is there if they need it.

She's excited to graduate with her bachelor's degree and for her future in the counseling field. She looks forward to helping people and showing them a new way of life.

26 Million Meals

for those who need it most



8.6 million pounds of fresh produce given to hunger-relief partners for free



32.9 million pounds of food distributed by the Foodbank



1,603 SNAP applications filed, yielding **1.25 million meals** for our region



12,000 volunteers donated more than **67,000 hours of service**



Fleet drivers averaged **46 stops** each day to pick up donated food



Nearly **170,000 pounds of food** prevented from entering landfills each week



74%
FOOD
DISTRIBUTED
AT NO
COST

TO HUNGER-RELIEF PARTNERS*

**FOOD IS ALWAYS FREE TO THOSE IN NEED*

Events and Milestones

The Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank had a record-breaking year.

We made significant strides in our efforts to source and distribute more food for the people we serve, increasing the amount of meals distributed by nearly 10 percent! Increasing distribution was made possible through our team's efforts in establishing new partnerships with local retailers and expanding relationships with existing food donors.

Solidifying our commitment to investing in nutrition, we procured and distributed 8.6 million pounds of fresh, nutritious produce to our hunger-relief network for free. The increase in pounds distributed, in conjunction with our Network Partners and Programs team members' efforts in SNAP outreach, helped enable 26 million meals for our community members. We also experienced tremendous support from our amazing volunteer force of 12,000 volunteers donating more than 67,000 hours of their time—the equivalent of 32 full-time employees.

Collaboratively with our network, we worked hard to maximize our impact on people and communities struggling with hunger. We encountered many milestones in 2017, and they wouldn't have been possible without the support of the Foodbank's committed and passionate staff, volunteers, donors and hunger-relief partners.

THANK YOU!

Our 26th annual **Harvest for Hunger** Campaign provided more than 5.5 million meals to our 8-county service area.



700 guests joined us for the 10th annual **Taste of the Pro Football Hall of Fame** and raised nearly \$200,000.



10th
annual

Our 5th annual 24-hour volunteer event, **Operation Orange**, saw 1,860 volunteers with 82 organizations represented and nearly 266,000 pounds of food sorted.



5th
annual

The 5th annual **Selfless Elf 5k** was our largest race yet, with more than 1,300 runners and walkers.



5th
annual

The 2017 **Holiday Campaign** provided more than 3.2 million meals to our hunger-relief network.



Program Highlights

Supporting Our Partners

The Foodbank is committed to directly supporting our network of hunger-relief partners with \$1 million in equipment grants, capacity-building resources and strategic services annually by 2020. In 2017, we provided a value of more than \$350,000 in resources helping partners transport and store food, enhance program operations and build overall capacity.

More than 30 hunger-relief partners received refrigerators, freezers and technology, thanks to funders like the Akron Community Foundation, Wayne County Community Foundation and partners like Summit County Public Health. We also connected our network with non-food donations through donors like W.W. Grainger and Westfield Insurance.

In addition, Foodbank transportation resources were used to deliver food items to partners. These resources, paired with specialized volunteer and staff services, are helping our partners provide enhanced services to their communities.

Rescuing Prepared Food

Since merging with Community Harvest in January 2017, the Foodbank has made a commitment to prepared and perishable food rescue, expanding its efforts into Summit County. Collecting prepared food from restaurants, grocery stores and banquet facilities allows the Foodbank to deliver food, that would otherwise go to waste, directly to our hunger-relief partners.

In 2017, in partnership with more than 120 local businesses, the Foodbank prevented 780,600 pounds of prepared food from entering landfills, helping to provide more than 650,000 meals to our community members struggling with hunger.

New to the program in 2017 was the Starbucks FoodShare program, a ground-breaking partnership in which Starbucks donates unsold food products from 19 locations in Summit and Stark Counties. The Foodbank expanded our relationship with KFC restaurants outside of Stark County, collecting 70,000 pounds of prepared food from nine locations.

Serving Seniors

More than 10 percent of all individuals served by the Foodbank are seniors. We've demonstrated our commitment to reaching even more seniors struggling with hunger through implementing the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP).

The program works to improve the health of low-income seniors by supplementing their diets with nutritious USDA foods. CSFP boxes provide seniors with enough food to create 25 meals and are given to qualifying seniors each month.

In 2017, more than 5,400 CSFP boxes were distributed to four counties. By the end of 2018, we will distribute 1,000 boxes each month to our eight-county service area, enhancing access to meals to help seniors stay healthy and strong.

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Making str

→ On track to close meal gap before 2020!

→ Expanding reach w/in 8-county area

→ Efficiency rating 93%! NCAAP award

Vision - vision of Foodbank is a thriving community free of hunger

Mission - to lead collaborative network empowers people to experience healthy & hunger-free lives

Goals

→ to provide enough food for all

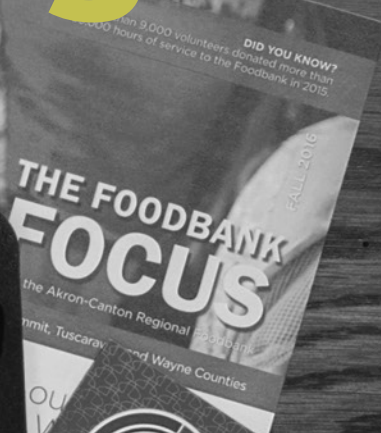
→ to leverage food as a community catalyst

be connected in service

strengthen a community

Purpose

difference between
and hope!



Strides toward 2020

Announced in 2015, the Foodbank set forth upon a 5-year strategic plan, Foodbank 2020, which will foster deeper collaboration and create meaningful, lasting impact. We are proud to share updates of our progress.

Goal One: Enough Food for All

The Foodbank continues to make strides in our efforts to source and distribute more food for the people we serve, ensuring food is easily accessible, and, ultimately, closing the Meal Gap. Through strengthening existing relationships and exploring new food distribution models, the Foodbank increased the amount of food made available to its hunger-relief network in 2017. More than 32.9 million pounds of food was distributed throughout our eight-county service area, a record-breaking year for the Foodbank.

Through the Foodbank's prepared and perishable food rescue program, new sourcing partnerships have been established with nine KFC restaurants and 19 Starbucks stores. The Foodbank also pursued sourcing relationships with local supermarket FreshThyme and Whole Foods Market 365. In 2017, our network of partners helped us disseminate enough food for 26 million meals, moving us closer to our goal of 28 million meals annually by 2020 and closing the Meal Gap by 2025.

In addition to providing enough food for all, the Foodbank is committed to increasing the percentage of free food provided to our hunger-relief partners to at least 80 percent by 2020. In 2017, 74 percent of all food distributed to hunger-relief programs was at no cost (food is always free to those in need). Increasing free food distribution will help our partners enable the optimization of their resources to better serve our community.

Goal Two: Food as a Community Catalyst

The Foodbank is actively engaging and convening partners to collaborate on programs that strengthen our community's response to hunger. The Foodbank was called by the community to take an active role in issues connected to food insecurity that go beyond emergency food distribution. This call to action resulted in an existing partnership with the Summit Food Coalition moving to a new level of collaboration in 2017. The Coalition's mission is to collaboratively build the framework for a just, sustainable and vibrant local food system. Recognizing the synergy in the mission of the Coalition and the work of the Foodbank, becoming the fiscal sponsor of the Coalition was a natural progression. Working closely with partners throughout the food system has created opportunities for innovative ways to support those striving to live healthy, hunger-free lives.

Though distributing food is the heart and soul of our mission, the Foodbank believes it's necessary to go beyond this and work toward addressing issues of food security and our collective well-being as a community. In 2017, the Foodbank brought together a team of local emergency management experts, community partners and a Feeding America Disaster Capacity Advisor to ensure a comprehensive disaster plan focused on emergency food was developed for our area. The plan positions the Foodbank as a significant responder should a disaster situation arise. As a result of this work, our food and safety operations manager was selected as an advisor for the 2017-2018 Feeding America Disaster Capacity program. He will mentor three food banks in the Feeding America network, assisting in their efforts to improve their existing disaster response plans.

Goal Three: Connected in Service

The Foodbank is focused on building a strong, sustainable, collaborative network to optimize its collective work. Growing and strengthening our network of hunger-relief partners is key to achieving our shared vision of a thriving community free of hunger. We offer support services to our partners to enhance their work within our community, including helping build network capacity, educational roundtables, engagement opportunities and advocacy support.

In 2017, the Foodbank hosted its biannual Network Summit, convening the network to connect on goals, share aspirations and discuss barriers to success. The Foodbank also debuted the Network Partner Program, which provides different levels of engagement, collaboration opportunities and benefits.

The Foodbank is also committed to amplifying the voices of our community members receiving food assistance, recognizing that they are the experts of their experience. This value is embedded in the client-centered feedback program, the Pathways for Community Voices pilot project, which began as a multi-year research project working with Feeding America, Urban Institute and the Fund for Shared Insight. Gathering feedback on a continuous basis helps inform system improvements and enhances our advocacy efforts, impacting the entire hunger-relief network.

One of only two food banks in the country selected for this project, the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank worked closely with the leadership at eight of its hunger-relief partner agencies creating meaningful connections with the individuals being served and putting their needs at the center of service. Though the pilot project concluded in 2017, the Foodbank will continue to implement this method of gathering feedback.

Goal Four: A Strong Community Asset

The Foodbank will position itself for transformational growth by establishing a community-based response to ending hunger. In partnership with our network, the Foodbank can help strengthen families in our service region if we collaborate at the community level.

In Wayne County, the Foodbank established a new drop-site in partnership with the Wooster Hope Center to help ensure access to food by eliminating transportation barriers for hunger-relief partners. Thanks to dedicated donors, the Foodbank is able to utilize its transportation resources to bring food and fresh produce directly to Wayne County, helping all 33 programs distribute food to the people who need it most. Because of these efforts, Wayne County was able to distribute an additional 712,900 meals in 2017.

In Stark County, the Foodbank convened hunger-relief organizations and network partners to discuss future collaborations and joint efforts through visioning exercises and network feedback meetings.

To enhance our network's capacity, 2017 was the first year the Foodbank began recruiting volunteers on behalf of our network partners, pairing passionate community leaders with the hunger-relief programs in their own neighborhoods. Since the majority of our partner programs are volunteer-driven, additional help for one-time activities and ongoing support is always needed.

2017 was an outstanding year for our network of partners and the ways we interact and engage with one another. We will continue to strive toward a thriving community free of hunger together while growing a strong asset for the community.



Chef Quinn from US Foods shows how to lead a cooking demonstration at the biannual Network Summit event for network partners and programs of the Foodbank.

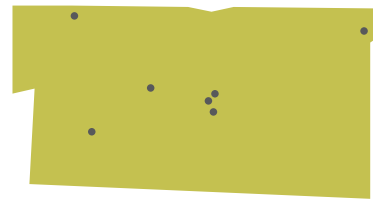
Nearly 500 Hungre



Carroll County

3,860 Food Insecure Individuals
754,934 Meals Enabled in 2017

8 Food Pantries 1 Youth Program
1 Hot Meal Site 1 Direct Distribution
3 Other Programs



Holmes County

5,120 Food Insecure Individuals
887,029 Meals Enabled in 2017

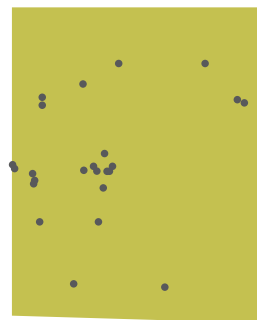
4 Food Pantries 1 Youth Program
3 Other Programs



Medina County

17,860 Food Insecure Individuals
960,597 Meals Enabled in 2017

25 Food Pantries 2 Youth Programs
6 Hot Meal Sites 1 Direct Distribution
1 Shelter 2 Other Programs



Portage County

23,290 Food Insecure Individuals
1,244,335 Meals Enabled in 2017

18 Food Pantries 6 Youth Programs
4 Hot Meal Sites 2 Direct Distributions
2 Shelters 3 Other Programs

er-Relief Programs



Stark County

55,880 Food Insecure Individuals
7,145,363 Meals Enabled in 2017

55 Food Pantries	16 Youth Programs
23 Hot Meal Sites	1 Direct Distribution
6 Shelters	10 Other Programs



Summit County

85,100 Food Insecure Individuals
10,095,757 Meals Enabled in 2017

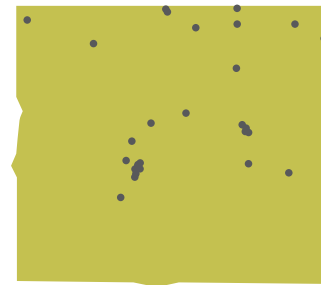
99 Food Pantries	37 Youth Programs
50 Hot Meal Sites	3 Direct Distributions
4 Shelters	26 Other Programs



Tuscarawas County

12,690 Food Insecure Individuals
4,422,001 Meals Enabled in 2017

8 Food Pantries	1 Shelter
1 Hot Meal Site	5 Youth Programs
2 Other Programs	



Wayne County

14,470 Food Insecure Individuals
1,431,098 Meals Enabled in 2017

16 Food Pantries	8 Youth Programs
3 Hot Meal Sites	1 Direct Distribution
2 Shelters	4 Other Programs

Hunger-Relief Partners

CARROLL COUNTY

Atwood Angels Food Pantry
Camp NEOSA
Carroll Co. Council on Aging
Carroll Golden Age Retreat
Hilltop Learning Center
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry
Malvern Christian Care Center, Inc.
Minerva Community Outreach at St. Paul's
Minerva United Methodist Church
Northeast Jefferson Food Pantry
The Salvation Army (Minerva)
True North Church

HOLMES COUNTY

58:12 Rescue
Berean Community Church Operation 612
Darb Snyder Senior Center
Kno Ho Co CAC Ashland Head Start
Lakeville United Methodist Church
Love Center Food Pantry
Millersburg Church of God
St. John's United Church of Christ-Glenmont Food Pantry

MEDINA COUNTY

B.A.S.I.C. Food Pantry
Battered Women's Shelter/Medina
Brunswick Food Pantry
Brunswick United Methodist Church
Buckeye Christian Assembly
Church at Stony Hill
Feeding Medina County
First Baptist Church - Medina
First Congregational Church of Lodi
Helping Hands Ministry (Northside Christian Church)
Holy Martyrs Catholic Church
Humbolt House
Lafayette United Methodist Church
Life Spring Community Church
Living Hope Church/Medina
Lodi Family Center
Medina Police Activities League
Newbridge Place
Oaks Family Care Center - Brunswick
Our Lady Help of Christian's Catholic Church
Second Baptist Church Medina
Seventh Day Adventist CSC
Seville Community Food Pantry (Seville United Methodist Church)

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
St. Paul Lutheran Church
St. Paul's Free Farmers Market
The Salvation Army (Medina)
York United Methodist Church

PORTAGE COUNTY

Ben Curtis Family Foundation
Black Horse Baptist Church
Brimfield Community Cupboard, Inc.
Catholic Charities Serving Portage and Stark County
Christian Cupboard-Ravenna/Center of Hope
Church of Christ/Ravenna
Coleman Professional Services
Community Action Council Youth Center
Community Bible Church
Community Food Pantry
Crestwood 4Cs
Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities
Kent Social Services
LifePointe Church of Atwater
Mantua Center Christian Church
Miller Community House
Nelson Garrettsville Community Cupboard
Randolph Suffield Atwater Food Shelf
Renaissance Family Center of Windham, OH, Inc.
Riverwood Community Chapel
Safer Futures
Streetsboro Community Pantry
The Lord's Pantry (Trinity Lutheran Church)
The Salvation Army (North East Portage Foodshelf)
The Salvation Army (Ravenna)
Town Hall II / Horizon House
Upper Room Cultural Development Center

STARK COUNTY

All Saints Temple COGIC
Alliance Community Pantry, Inc.
Alliance for Children & Families
Andre's House
Believer's Assembly Church
Boys & Girls Club of Massillon
Canal Fulton Community Cupboard
Canton Calvary Mission
Canton Crossroads United Methodist Church
Canton Friendship Center

Canton Pentecostal Temple
Central Baptist
Chapel of the Cross United Methodist Church
Clifford Compass House/P.A.L. Mission
CommQuest Services Inc
Community Drop In Center
Community Treatment Center
Deliverance Christian Ministry
Domestic Violence Project, Inc
Faith Kitchen
Family Life Center
Feed My Sheep/Alliance
First Assembly of God Alliance
First Assembly of God/Massillon
First Christian Church/Canton
First Christian Church/Massillon
First Church of the Resurrection
First Evangelical Congregational Church
First Immanuel United Church of Christ
Grace Fellowship
Grace United Church of Christ
Helping Hands Network
Hope Outreach Ministry of Stark County
Interfaith Campus Ministry
Jesus Christ People Care Center
Lake Community YMCA
Lake Township FISH
LifeHope Community Church
LifeSong Church
Little Flower Emergency Food Pantry
Louisville Area YMCA
Louisville Community Cupboard
Massillon Knights of Columbus Hot Lunch
Meals on Wheels of Stark & Wayne Counties
Mt. Zion Community Church
New Harmony Worship Center
North Canton Church of Christ
North Industry Christian Church
Northwest Church of Christ
PACE, Inc.
Pleasant Outreach, Inc.
Refuge of Hope
River of Life Pantry
Rivertree Christian Church
S.A.L.T. Box Kitchen (St. John Lutheran Church)
S.A.M. (Serving Area Military) Center

Salt & Light Ministry (Community Life COGIC)
Serving Hands Ministries
Sharing and Caring
Sherrick Road Church of God
St. Barbara's Food Pantry
St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
St. John's United Church of Christ
St. Paul AME Church
Stark County Health Department
Stark County Hunger Task Force
SVDP/ St. Joseph's Catholic Church
SVDP/ St. Mary's Church
T.O.S.M.
The Hope Pantry
The Salvation Army (Alliance)
The Salvation Army (Canton)
The Salvation Army (Massillon)
The Stuckey Family Interfaith Child Development Center
Tiqvah Hands of Hope
True Vine Revival Center
Union Baptist Church/Canton
UrbanArk, Inc.
Well of Hope Ministries
Westbrook Park United Methodist Church
YWCA Canton
Zion Lutheran Church North Canton

SUMMIT COUNTY

Access Inc.
Akron Area YMCA
Akron Bible Church/Hope Cafe
Akron Blind Center
Akron Christian Reformed Church
Akron Community Development Association
Akron Missionary Baptist Church
Akron Rotary Camp
Akron Urban League
Akron-Summit Community Action Agency/Springfield
Akron-Summit County Public Library
ALPHA Nutrition Program
Apostolic Church of Akron
Arlington Memorial Baptist Church
ASIA, Inc.
Barberton Area Community Ministries
Barberton Seventh Day Adventist Community Services
Battered Women's Shelter
Bethany United Church of Christ
Blessed Trinity Parish

Blessings in a Backpack - Akron
 Blessings in a Backpack - Green
 Blick Center
 Boys & Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve
 Bread of Life (Heart of Christ Ministries)
 Brechmacher House
 Bridging The Gap Ministries
 Bulldog Bags, Inc.
 C.O.B. Outreach
 Calvary Apostolic Church of Akron/Love Thy Neighbor
 Calvary Open Bible Church
 Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County
 Celebration Church
 Centenary United Methodist Church
 Child Guidance & Family Solutions
 Choices Community Social Center
 Christ The King
 Church of Christ/Cuyahoga Falls
 Church of Our Saviour
 Community Health Center
 Community Support Services
 Compass Point Chapel
 Copley Outreach Center
 Copley Road Community Center
 Cornerstone Christian Assembly
 Cornerstone Church/City Lights Cutmar
 Cuyahoga Falls Good Neighbors
 DAWN
 Eagle Ministries Chapel, Inc.
 Emmanuel Christian Assembly
 Faith Temple Church
 Family of Faith United Methodist Church
 Family Resource Center
 Feed My Sheep
 FI Community Housing, Inc.
 Firestone Park United Methodist Church
 First Apostolic Faith
 First Baptist Church of Akron
 First Congregational Food Cupboard
 First Faith Development Corporation
 First Glance Student Center
 First United Methodist Church
 Fish and Loaves Food Pantry
 Focus Community Development Corp (Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church)
 Forest Hill Community Christian Church
 Genesaret, Inc.

Good Neighbors
 Good Samaritan Hunger Center
 Good Shepherd Christian Church
 Greek Orthodox Church of Annunciation
 Green Good Neighbors
 Harmony House, Inc
 Harvest Food Pantry
 He Brought Us Out Ministry
 Heart 4 The City (Northampton United Methodist Church)
 Heart to Heart Ministries, Inc.
 Help Open Peoples Eyes (H.O.P.E.)
 Helping Hands - The Bill Lee Center at Akron Baptist Temple
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
 Hope Homes
 Hudson Community Services Association
 Immaculate Heart of Mary
 Interval Brotherhood Home
 JoAnn's Pantry
 Joseph's Kitchen
 Journey Covenant Church
 Kings Kitchen
 Lakemore United Methodist Church
 Lakeview Outreach Ministries
 Legacy III
 Lenibug Foundation
 Lockwood United Methodist Church
 Macedonia Baptist Church
 Middlebury Chapel Food Pantry
 Mountain of The Lord
 Mt. Olive Baptist Church/Akron
 Mt. Zion Baptist Church
 New Exodus Christian Fellowship Church
 New Hope Baptist Church
 New Life Missionary Baptist Church
 Noah's Ark (Higher Ground Worship Center)
 Nordonia Hills City Schools Foundation
 Northfield Presbyterian Church Community Meal
 Norton Apostolic Christian Church
 Open Door Assembly of God
 Open M
 Our Community Hunger Center
 P.A.L.S. Home Consortium/ Ardmore Inc.
 Pavilion of Praise Baptist Church
 Peoples Baptist Church
 Peter Maurin Center of Akron
 Phillips Chapel CME Church

Prince of Peace Baptist Church
 River of Life Assembly of God, Akron, Inc.
 Safe Landing
 Sarah's House
 Second Baptist Church
 Shelter Care
 South Akron Youth Mentorship
 South Street Ministries, Inc.
 Springtime of Hope
 St. Bernard Parish
 St. John C.M.E. Church
 St. John The Baptist Catholic Church
 St. Paul Holiness Church of God
 St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church - Feed My Sheep
 Summit County Children's Services
 SVDP/ Fr. Hilbert Ozanam Center
 SVDP/ Immaculate Conception Church
 SVDP/ St. Hilary
 Tarry House
 Tarry House Respite
 The Church in Silver Lake
 The Emergency Assistance Center
 The Father's House
 The Homeless Charity
 The Salvation Army (Akron ARC)
 The Salvation Army (Akron)
 The Salvation Army (Barberton)
 The Sanctuary
 The Word Church
 The Zion Apostolic Faith Church
 Tower of Prayer
 True North Ministry
 Truly Reaching You Ministry, Inc.
 Tutoring Nurtures Talent, Inc.
 Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron
 United Methodist Church of Macedonia
 United Presbyterian Church
 Unity Holiness Ministries
 Urban Vision
 Valor Home
 Vantage Aging
 Vine Community Outreach Ministry
 Visitation of Mary
 Warriors Project
 Williard United Church of Christ
 Wonder World Child Development Center
 Word of Life Outreach Center
 Youth Elder Services
 Zion Lutheran Church - Akron

TUSCARAWAS COUNTY

Advocacy, Choices & Empowerment, Inc. (ACE)
 Blessings in a Backpack- New Philadelphia
 Dover Church of Christ
 First Assembly of God New Philadelphia
 Friends of the Homeless of Tuscarawas County
 Greater Dover New Philadelphia Food Pantry
 Harbor of Hope
 Harcatus Senior Nutrition Program
 Journey's End Ministries
 St. John United Church of Christ- Strasburg
 Sugarcreek First United Church of Christ
 The Carpenter's Cupboard
 The Salvation Army (Dover)
 Twin City Pantry
 Word of Life Church
 Zion 4UCC- Pirate Power Packs

WAYNE COUNTY

Christian Harbor Church
 Community Action/Wayne-Medina
 Creston Community Church
 Crown Hill Mennonite Church
 Dalton Baptist Church
 Doylestown Community Food Cupboard
 Eastern Road Church of God Food Ministry
 Friendship Meals, Inc.
 Hands of Grace United Pentecostal Church
 New Beginnings Crossroads Fellowship Church
 New Destiny Treatment Center
 OneEighty
 Orrville Boys & Girls Club
 Orrville Loaves & Fishes
 Outreach Community Living Service
 People to People Ministries
 Smithville United Methodist Church
 Sterling United Methodist Church
 The Salvation Army (Creston)
 The Salvation Army (Orrville)
 The Salvation Army (Wooster)
 Trinity United Church of Christ (Breakfast at Trinity)
 Wooster Hope Center

Financials

PUBLIC SUPPORT	UNRESTRICTED	TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED	TOTAL
Grants	\$ 421,750			\$ 421,750
USDA distribution fees	\$ 336,864			\$ 336,864
Donated food, net	\$ 36,196,896			\$ 36,196,896
Contributions	\$ 5,356,330	\$ 478,712	\$ 2,037	\$ 5,837,079
Net assets released from restrictions	\$ 575,861	\$ (575,861)		
Total public support	\$ 42,887,701	\$ (97,149)	\$ 2,037	\$ 42,792,589

REVENUE, GAINS & LOSSES

Purchase program, net	\$ 103,880			\$ 103,880
Shared maintenance	\$ 1,041,856			\$ 1,041,856
Fundraising events, net	\$ 234,394			\$ 234,394
Distribution fees	\$ 226,011			\$ 226,011
Freight income	\$ 21,975			\$ 21,975
Investment income	\$ 40,348	\$ 33,051		\$ 73,399
Net appreciation on investments	\$ 132,586	\$ 97,229		\$ 229,815
Miscellaneous	\$ 81,428			\$ 81,428
Total revenue, gains & losses	\$ 1,882,478	\$ 130,280		\$ 2,012,758
Total public support, revenue, gains & losses	\$ 44,770,179	\$ 33,131	\$ 2,037	\$ 44,805,347

EXPENSES

Program services	\$ 41,588,311			\$ 41,588,311
Fundraising expenses	\$ 1,878,261			\$ 1,878,261
Management and general expenses	\$ 1,282,306			\$ 1,282,306
Total expenses	\$ 44,748,878			\$ 44,748,878
Change in net assets	\$ 21,301	\$ 33,131	\$ 2,037	\$ 56,469
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 10,902,521	\$ 800,940	\$ 395,732	\$ 12,099,193
Net assets, end of year	\$ 10,923,822	\$ 834,071	\$ 397,769	\$ 12,155,662

Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank, Inc. and affiliated statement of activities for the activities for the year ended December 31, 2017.



Revenue & Support

- 80%** In-Kind Donations
- 14%** Contributions and Cash Donations
- 3%** Program Fees
- 2%** Government
- 1%** Miscellaneous



Expenses

- 93%** Program Services
- 4%** Fundraising Expenses
- 3%** Management & General Expenses

93 cents of every dollar donated goes directly toward providing food for our neighbors in need.

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 Giant Eagle
 Portage Lakes Polar Bear Club
 Walmart
 Westfield

\$50,000 +

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 The Goodyear Tire &
 Rubber Company
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 MeyerDC
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LEADERSHIP PARTNERS 200,000+ meals

Akron Beacon Journal/Ohio.com
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Bimbo Bakeries
BJ Wholesale Club
Buehler's Fresh Foods
The County of Summit

FirstEnergy Corp.
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GOJO Industries, Inc.
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Huntington National Bank
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Sam's Club
Shearer's Snacks
Smith Dairy
The J.M. Smucker Company
Starbucks

Stark Community Foundation
Target
US Foods
Walmart
Westfield

MISSION PARTNERS 80,000+ meals

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Bridgestone Americas
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The Sisler McFawn Foundation
Sisters of Charity Foundation
Superior Dairy
Tri-County Restaurant Association, Inc.
WAKR, WONE, WQMX, WNWW

COMMUNITY PARTNERS 40,000+ meals

415 Group
Allstate Insurance Company
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